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REMARKS

The Examiner has required an election in the present application between:

Species 1, illustrated in Fig(s). 1;

Species 2, illustrated in Fig(s). 8;

Species 3, illustrated in Fig(s). 13;

Species 4, illustrated in Fig(s). 14;

Species 5, illustrated in Fig(s). 15;

Species 6, illustrated in Fig(s). 16;

Species 7, illustrated in Fig(s). 17;

Species 8, illustrated in Fig(s). 18;

Species 9, illustrated in Fig(s). 19;

Species 10, illustrated in Fig(s). 21;

Species 11, illustrated in Fig(s). 22;

Species 12, illustrated in Fig(s). 23;

Species 13, illustrated in Fig(s). 36; and

Species 14, illustrated in Fig(s). 40.

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For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicants elect Species 2, illustrated in Fig(s). 8, without traverse.

Claim(s) 1-6, 9-17, 20, 23, 27, and 29-31 are directed to the elected species. As acknowledged by the Examiner, at least claim 1 is generic.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Charles Gorenstein, Registration No. 29,271 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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